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| or: | AUTHENTICATION SYSTEM, |) |
| | DATA DEVICE, AND METHODS |) |
| | FOR USING THE SAME |) |

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Comments on STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

These comments are filed in response to the Statement of Reasons for Allowance dated October 12, 2006.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 18, 25, 27 - 32, 37 - 47, and 49, are pending and have been allowed.

Applicants respectfully note that the reference to Claims 27 – 32 on page 4 should actually be Claims 25, 46, and 47, since Claims 27 – 32 are method claims and the recited claim is the device Claim 25.

With respect to U.S. Patent No. 4,127,773 to West, it is noted that this reference fails to disclose the device or method as presently claimed, including the claimed light sources as well as other aspects of the present claims.

Regarding U.S. Patent No. 6,380,547 to Gonzalez et al., Applicants maintain their position set forth in the prior responses with resped

If there are any charges with respect to these comments or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 07-0893.

Respectfully submitted,

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